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Re: In the Matter of the OREGON PUBLIC UTILITY STAFF Requesting the Commission direct AVISTA UTILITIES to file tariffs establishing automatic adjustment clauses under the terms of SB 408 (**Docket No. UG-171(4)**)

**NWIGU Testimony**

Dear Filing Center:

The Northwest Industrial Gas Users (“NWIGU”) will not be filing expert witness testimony at this time in docket UG-171(4). The issues NWIGU identified in the issue list it filed on December 23, 2010 are legal issues that do not require additional expert testimony from NWIGU. NWIGU will address those issues in its briefs and at hearing. Accordingly, NWIGU reserves the right to participate in all phases of this docket going forward. If you have any questions about NWIGU’s participation in this matter, please call me or Paula Pyron.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Tommy A. Brooks

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